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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

Mo DIAM ~~W-2~~ ~~Ukrainian~~ ~~Adviser~~ ~~to~~ ~~the~~ ~~Ukrainian~~ ~~and~~ ~~Byelorussian~~ ~~Desks~~, brought to the Security Office a letter which Wladymyr CVIRKA, Chief Editor of the Byelorussian Desk, had received while in Helsinki for the Youth Festival. It was written by a man who described himself as a "cousin" whom Cvirka had never seen and who had never seen Cvirka. The letter was hand-carried out of the Soviet Union by a friend of the "cousin", Alexander, whom Cvirka had met during the Youth Festival in Vienna several years ago. The writer describes life in Cvirka's former home town and mentions various of their mutual relatives and the lives they are leading. At the end of the letter, in which the writer encloses four photographs of himself (one of them behind the wheel ^{of what} he describes as a "company" car which had been used by himself and a colleague on a business trip), he urges Cvirka to at least come "home" and have a look at things there and then he could decide what is better for him. He ends saying, "I think your native places are the dearest to you. A man has only one homeland and it is necessary to do only what is good for that homeland."

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